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ACCESSIBILITY CODES AND STANDARDS SUMMIT 2017 - RECAP

I am so pleased to report that the Code Summit was a huge success! We had well over 100 attendees, more-or-less sold out, and looks like we will shoot for a bigger crowd for the 2018 Code Summit. Everybody had a great time, there was an exchange of ideas, and of course there was plenty of learning. We started off with a BANG as we spent a little time in the world of our keynote speaker, blind architect **CHRIS DOWNEY**. What an inspirational speech! It was great.

Presenters:

We had a total of 12 sessions spread out over two-days on topics as varied as 'housing', 'Barrier Removal in Existing Buildings', 'Medical Facilities', 'CRASCA Reports', and 'Construction Tolerances'. A sincere thanks to all the presenters who not only donated their time delivering a presentation at the Code Summit, but also for taking the countless hours of off-line time to prepare their presentations. It is your work that made this Code Summit a success:

- Key Note Speaker – **Christopher Downey**
- **Ida Clair** – California Division of the State Architect
- **Jim Terry** – Evan Terry Associates – Alabama
- **Kaylan Dunlap** – Evan Terry Associates – Alabama
- **Paul Klein** – CalCasp
- **Mark Woods** - CalCasp
- **Bill Hecker** – Expert witness for US Department of Justice
- **Cris Vaughan** – ADAC Attorney at Law
- **Scott Windley** – US Access Board
- **Doug Anderson** – Housing First
- **Glenn Gall** – California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development
- **Bill Zellmer** – Sutter Health
- **Gary Layman** – Chief Building Official – City of Oroville
- **Richard Halloran** – Building Official – City of San Francisco

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Raffle:

At the end of the event we held a wrap-up session and raffle. Thanks to those would donated prizes for the raffle…especially **Jim Terry** of Evan Terry Associates who donated a BIG SCREEN TV! Now that was pretty generous. Thanks Jim!

Special Awards:

A few special awards were handed out at the event including one to **Gary Layman** for giving so much of his time and energy to this organization over the years, and one to myself as the Code Summit Chair for the event.

And finally, a special thanks to **Hien Huynh** and **Marcel Bourdase** at PESC for keeping the operation running like a finely tuned Swiss watch. Hien, you did an outstanding job. Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you.

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2018 Code Summit - Southern California:

2018…same thing…in Southern California!

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